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PROCEEDINGS
OF
The American Microscopical Society

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

HELD AT

ITHACA, NEW YORK, JUNE 29 AND 30, 1906

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the American Microscopical Society was held in conjunction with that of Section F of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, in Stimson Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and was presided over by President S. H. Gage.

FIRST SESSION

The first session, called to order at 4:30 P. M., June 29, was occupied by the annual address of the President on the subject, "The Origin and Development of the Projection Microscope." The address was accompanied by demonstrations; it proved a most attractive topic and Prof. Gage's able presentation of it was enjoyed by a large audience.

At the conclusion of the address a brief recess was taken, after which the Society again came to order for a business session. The Secretary presented an informal report, which was, on motion, received and accepted. The Custodian's report was read and, on motion, accepted and referred to an auditing committee consisting of Drs. A. T. Kerr and M. D. Ewell. The Treasurer's report was also presented, accepted, and referred to an auditing committee consisting of Profs. H. B. Ward and Chas. Fordyce.

A nominating committee was elected consisting of Dr. R. H. Ward, Prof. B. F. Kingsbury, Dr. W. C. Krauss, Prof. W. H. Watson, and Dr. M. D. Ewell.

The Abbé Fund Committee presented a report of progress; on motion the committee was continued and was instructed, on the

accumulation of a suitable sum, to close the subscriptions and turn the amount over to the secretary of the committee, who should forward it to the secretary of the Denkmal committee at Jena.

The matter of a monument to Herbert R. Spencer was brought up by Dr. Ewell, who described a visit made to his grave and stated that he found it unmarked in any way. This was accompanied by a recommendation by the Executive Committee that the Society consider favorably some method of securing funds for such a monument. On discussion it appeared that there was no way, according to the Constitution, by which the proceeds of the Spencer-Tolles Fund, being a memorial fund, to be used for the encouragement of research only, could be used for this purpose. Thereupon Dr. Ewell gave notice of an amendment to Article VII of the Constitution changing the clause referring to the use of the income of this Fund by adding the words, "or for the erection of any appropriate memorial to the persons in whose honor the fund is named," and the Secretary was instructed to secure from the members of the Society an expression of opinion as to the desirability of so modifying the Constitution.* In view of the fact that a year would have to ensue before this amendment could be acted upon, the Executive Committee recommended the appointment of a committee authorized to solicit funds for the purpose proposed, which recommendation was favorably received, and the President appointed Drs. M. D. Ewell and W. C. Krauss.

Mr. J. D. Hyatt, of New Rochelle, New York, was elected an honorary member, in recognition of long and faithful service in the Society.

On motion, the Society voted to loan Dr. Ewell "Centimeter A" for the purpose of investigation, the Custodian being authorized to take his receipt therefor.

Adjourned at 7 P. M.

SECOND SESSION

At the second session, called to order at 8 P. M. of the same day, the following papers were read:

*Correspondence showed a practically unanimous opposition to the change, so the matter was dropped.

"The Ecological Relations of a New Carnation Mite," by Dr. R. H. Wolcott.

"The Identification of Blood Stains," by Prof. W. F. Watson.

"The Pietzsch Microtome," by Mr. Edward P. Dolby.

"Two New Pieces of Apparatus," by Mr. A. B. Porter, presented by Dr. M. D. Ewell.

The following papers were read by title:

Variation in the Vitellaria and Ducts of Three Species of the Genus *Opisthorchis*, by Prof. F. D. Barker.

Vertical Distribution of Plankton in Flathead Lake, by Prof. M. J. Elrod.

On the Cladocera of Nebraska, by Prof. Charles Fordyce.

A biological study of the lakes of the Pike's Peak region, by Dr. H. L. Shantz.

On the occurrence of *Trypanosoma* in the blood of *Rana clamata*, by Mr. James H. Stebbins, Jr.

A new Linguatulid from some of our Gulls, by Prof. Henry B. Ward.

The need of a trained microscopist in every community, by Dr. William C. Krauss.

Permanent preparations of tissues and organs to show glycogen, by Prof. S. H. Gage.

Adjourned.

THIRD SESSION

The third session was called to order at 8:45 A. M., June 30. The auditing committee on the Custodian's report reported favorably and the report was adopted. The auditing committee on the Treasurer's report was continued and instructed to present the report, when ready, to the Secretary for publication.

The nominating committee recommended the following persons for election to the offices named:

President, Dr. Marshall D. Ewell, Chicago, Ill.

Vice-Presidents, Prof. Herbert Osborn, Columbus, Ohio; Prof. William H. Watson, Greenville, S. C.

Custodian, Mr. Magnus Pflaum, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Executive Committee, Dr. A. T. Kerr, Ithaca, N. Y.; Mr. F. W. Kuehne, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Prof. B. L. Seawell, Warrensburg, Mo.

The report was adopted and the Secretary instructed to cast the vote of the Society for the persons named.

The usual allowance was voted for the expenses of the Secretary.

The Society then adjourned *sine die*. However, the members joined in the meeting of Section F of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, held in the afternoon of the same day.

During the meeting the members participated in all the social entertainments tendered the other scientific bodies and enjoyed to the full the very generous hospitality extended by Cornell University.

ROBERT H. WOLCOTT, *Secretary*.

TREASURER'S REPORT

FROM JUNE 18, 1906, TO JANUARY 1, 1907

DR.

By balance from last Report.....		\$319 25
To Membership dues, 1904.....	\$ 8 00	
To Membership dues, 1905.....	26 00	
To Membership dues, 1906.....	188 00	
To Membership dues, 1907.....	22 00	
To Membership dues, 1908.....	4 00	248 00
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To Admission fees.....		21 00
To Subscribers, Vol. XXVI.....	38 00	
To Subscribers, Vol. XXVII.....	6 00	44 00
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To Volumes sold.....		2 25
To Advertisers, Vol. XXVI.....	80 00	
To Advertisers, Vol. XXVII.....	4 00	84 00
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To Donation		20 00

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		\$738 50
By Postage, Stationery and Printing, Secretary.....	\$ 34 26	
By Postage, Treasurer.....	5 00	\$ 39 26
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By Expressage, Secretary.....	9 99	
By Expressage, Treasurer.....	1 50	11 49
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By Typewriting, Secretary.....		14 30
By Sundries, Secretary.....		8 70
By Fare to Ithaca Meeting, Secretary.....		25 00
By Printing, Vol. XXVI.....		508 30
By Bank Charges for Collecting Checks, Treasurer.....		2 00
By Balance on Hand.....		129 45
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		\$738 50

J. C. SMITH, *Treasurer*

We hereby certify that we have examined the Treasurer's books and vouchers and found the foregoing account correct.

(Signed)

HENRY B. WARD,
CHARLES FORDYCE,
Auditing Committee

CUSTODIAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 20, 1906

SPENCER-TOLLES FUND

Reported at Sandusky Meeting.....	\$2,081 09
Dividends Received	149 44
Life Memberships	100 00
Contribution	50

\$2,331.03

Less Dues for Life Membership.....	\$6 00	
Less Expenses	25	6 25

\$2,324 78

Total Invested.....	\$2,321 72	
Cash on Hand	3 06	\$2,324 78

Net increase during year.....	\$ 243 69
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GRAND TOTALS

Total Contributions to date.....	\$ 694 07
Total from Sale of Proceedings to date.....	570 73
Total Interest and Dividends to date.....	1,025 15
Total Life Memberships to date.....	150 00

\$2,439 95

Less: Grant No. 1.....	\$50 00	
Grant No. 2.....	25 00	
Grant No. 3.....	25 00	\$100 00

Dues on Life Memberships.....	6 00	
Expenses	9 17	\$115 17

\$2,324 78

LIFE MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTORS OF \$50 AND OVER.

John Aspinwall	A. H. Elliott
Robert Brown	John C. Hately
J. Stanford Brown	Troy Scientific Association
Henry B. Duncanson	

MAGNUS PF LAUM,
Custodian

ITHACA, N. Y., June 30, 1906

We, the undersigned committee, hereby certify that we have carefully examined the account of the custodian as given in the foregoing report, compared the same with the vouchers, and found the same to correspond and to be correct.

ABRAM T. KERR,
MARSHALL D. EWELL,
Auditing Committee